

AGENDA WORK SESSION

October 16, 2014 – 7:00 pm

To Set the Agenda For The October 23, 2014 Council Meeting

The East Ridge City Council met pursuant to notice on October 16, 2014, 7:00 pm at East Ridge City Hall to set the agenda for the October 23, 2014 Council Meeting and other items. Mayor Lambert called the meeting to order.

Present were: Mayor Lambert, Vice Mayor Bethune, Councilmember Manning, Councilmember Sewell, City Manager Hyatt, City Attorney North and City Recorder Middleton. Councilmember Gravitt was not present due to illness.

New Business Discussion:

ORDINANCE NO. 981 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE TO AMEND EAST RIDGE ZONING ORDINANCE #481 (1st reading) – City Manager Hyatt stated staff needs direction from Council to make corrections in the East Ridge zoning ordinance. City Attorney North stated that the zoning ordinance was not amended when Council created the Planning Commission. Mr. North introduced Kirby Yost from his firm to explain the changes. Ms. Yost stated that references to the Regional Planning Agency were changed to Municipal Planning Commission. The references to commissioners were changed to council. Without objection, Mayor Lambert added Ordinances 981 to tonight's meeting agenda as Item K under New Business.

RESOLUTION NO. 2435 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF SOCCER UNIFORMS FOR THE 2014 - 2015 INDOOR SOCCER SEASON – City Manager Hyatt stated the soccer season will be starting soon so ordering uniforms is time sensitive. Director Martin stated bids were opened this week, with Custom Werks being the low bid. Without objection, Mayor Lambert added Resolution No. 2435 to tonight's meeting agenda as Item L under New Business. Councilmember Sewell stated he is possibly related to someone who owns Custom Werks, and believes he should disclose this.

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR HVAC SYSTEM AT CAMP JORDAN ARENA THROUGH THE CLEAN ENERGY GRANT – City Treasurer Jablonski stated that bids will be opened next week and presented to council on the October 23rd meeting.

RESOLUTION NO _____ - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2015 BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GRANT – Mr. Jablonski stated this is a 100% grant from American Water Company for a natural playpark at Camp Jordan.

RESOLUTION NO _____ - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2015 TENNESSEE PARKS AND GREENWAYS FOUNDATION GRANT – Mr. Jablonski stated this is an 80/20% grant for trail markers at Camp Jordan.

RESOLUTION NO _____ - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2015 TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES GRANT – Mr. Jablonski stated this is an 80/20% grant to widen sidewalks from Cornerstone Bank to Rite Aid Drugs and to possibly install a median. Mr. Hyatt stated we still have the ADA grant which could possibly be used for the City's match.

Councilmember Sewell asked if staff was looking into the Safe Schools grant for sidewalks. Mr. Hyatt stated we are still looking at this grant through TDOT.

Discussion of Bids for In-Car Cameras for Police Vehicles – Chief Reed stated bids were opened for the cameras. One bid from L3 also included 12 body cameras which brought the bid up to \$59,000 from the original quote of \$54,000. The company discounted the body cameras by \$144.00.

Discussion of Playground – Director Martin stated we have an opportunity to obtain playground equipment from Gametime through Mr. Fred Weichman. The equipment is worth more than \$70,000, but Gametime is willing to install the equipment for \$35,000. There was discussion of paying for this out of the Capital Improvement Fund or the BAN fund. Without objection, Mayor Lambert added this item to tonight's meeting agenda as Item M under New Business.

Discussion of Changing Council Meeting Time to Begin Immediately Following Agenda Work Sessions – Mr. North stated the Charter only requires one regular meeting per month. His concern about changing the time of the meeting to immediately after the agenda session is that citizens who just want to attend the Council meeting would not know the exact time it would start. He suggested having the regular meeting followed by the agenda work session, although this would impair moving items forward from the work session. There was a discussion of starting the agenda session at 5:30.

Discussion of Property Tax Freeze – Councilmember Sewell asked that this be placed on the agenda. Mr. Jablonski stated that a tax freeze is different from tax relief but both are based on income. We have requested figures from the assessor's office and Mr. Jablonski will bring the information back to Council.

Councilmember Sewell asked if Codes could check out the Crown Inn. He stated he is picking up more kids on his bus that live there. Mr. Hyatt stated that MTAS has informed him that the City can enact law that would allow Codes Enforcement to inspect these places every 30 days. Mr. Sewell will get with the attorney on this matter.

The meeting was adjourned.

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE**

**October 16, 2014
Immediately Followed Agenda Work Session**

The East Ridge City Council met pursuant to notice on October 16, 2014, 6:30 pm at East Ridge City Hall. Mayor Lambert called the meeting to order.

Councilmember Manning gave the invocation. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present were: Mayor Lambert, Vice Mayor Bethune, Councilmember Manning, Councilmember Sewell, City Manager Hyatt, City Attorney North and City Recorder Middleton. Councilmember Gravitt was not present.

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of September 18, 2014 Called Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes September 25, 2014 Agenda Work Session
- C. Approval of Minutes September 25, 2014 Council Meeting
- D. Approval of September 2014 Financial Statement

Vice Mayor Bethune made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to approve the Consent Agenda. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

Communication from Citizens:

Mimi Lowrey, 819 Mt. Belvoir Drive, stated she is concerned about too many check cashing businesses in East Ridge. She stated the City needs to work with the legislature to limit the number of these places. Mr. Jablonski is exploring the possibilities and will get back with the Council. Ms. Lowrey again discussed the City having an inspection fee for rental property. Mr. North will check into this.

Ms. Lowrey discussed a comment made on the neighborhood watch facebook about a “mob” being in the parking lot after the meeting to confront Vice Mayor Bethune. She stated it would not be a mob, just people showing their support of the neighborhood watch. Mr. Bethune read a letter from Kevin H. Roberts about the meeting in the parking lot, and stated that he felt threatened by this.

Frances Pope, 1913 Close Road, discussed comments on facebook about the neighborhood watch. She stated that no one has threatened Mr. Bethune. Mayor Lambert stated that Mr. Bethune and Ms. Pope differ in opinions and both have made their point. Mr. Bethune stated that Ms. Pope is condoning threats, but she stated she is only condoning support of Mark Brandt and the neighborhood watch.

Communication from Council: None

Communication from City Manager:

Mr. Hyatt reminded everyone about the Veteran's Day program on November 11th at the Vietnam Veteran's monument, which will be unveiled. Mr. Hyatt thanked Ms. Elaine Taylor for bringing this idea to Council.

Mr. Hyatt presented Councilmember Manning with a Certificate of Appreciation for his service as Chaplain for the City. Chief Reed presented Mr. Manning with a badge. Mr. Manning thanked everyone for this honor.

Mayor Lambert added the following to tonight's agenda:

- Item K – New Business - Ordinance No. 981 (1st reading) – zoning changes
- Item L – New Business - Resolution No. 2435 – bids for soccer uniforms
- Item M – New Business - Discussion of Playground

Old Business:

RESOLUTION NO. 2430 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED EXTENSION OF EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT FOR ANDREW E. HYATT WITH REGARD TO THE POSITION OF CITY MANAGER. (contract voted on September 25, 2014) – City Attorney North read on caption. Mr. North also read a letter of support from Councilmember Gravitt, who is ill tonight, for approval to extend the City Manager's contract. Councilmember Sewell made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to approve Resolution No. 2430. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

At this time, the Council took a 10-minute break.

After returning from break, Mayor Lambert announced Camp Jordan Jams will be on Saturday, October 18th. The headlining act will be Jimmy Tawater, a former East Ridge High School student.

New Business:

ORDINANCE NO. 980 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 971 ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2015 APPROPRIATING THE SAME TO THE PAYMENT OF EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT...” BY DESIGNATING FUND BALANCE OF THE GENERAL FUND AND CHANGING THE EXPENDITURES FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND BY CHANGING THE EXPENDITURES OF THE CAPITAL PROJECT FUND (1st reading) – City Attorney North read on caption. Mr. Jablonski stated the bulk of this budget amendment is for the Bass Pro and Jordan Crossing development. It will also amend the budget for the new fire station, the Needy Child Fund tent, the Parks and Rec mower, and will

also cover an increase in insurance premiums. It will also correct an error in the original budget. Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Sewell, to approve Ordinance No. 980 on first reading. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2426 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A SPONSORSHIP/ADVERTISING AGREEMENT WITH DICK’S SPORTING GOODS FOR THEIR SPONSORSHIP OF YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAMS AT CAMP JORDAN PARK – City Attorney North read on caption. Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to approve Resolution No. 2426. Mayor Lambert stated this has been an item of debate, but all details have now been worked out. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2427 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, INC. (PFM) TO PERFORM FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES FOR THE CITY – City Attorney North read on caption. City Treasurer Jablonski stated the City received two responses from a request for proposal that was sent out. PFM was the most qualified and they have experience in bond issues of this size. Josh McCoy with PFM was present to answer any questions from Council, but they had none. Vice Mayor Bethune made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Sewell, to approve Resolution No. 2427. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2429 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, AWARDING A BID FOR A MULTI-USE TRUCK – City Attorney North read on caption. Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Sewell (for discussion purposes) to approve Resolution No. 2429. City Services Superintendent Petty recommended the bid be awarded to Lee Smith, Inc. in the amount of \$99,579.00. The vehicle is a demo model. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO 2431 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2015 TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION’S HIGH VISIBILITY ENFORCEMENT GRANT – City Attorney North read on caption. Mr. Jablonski stated this is a 100% grant from the Governor’s Highway Safety Office. The funds will be used for the in-car computers and cameras. Councilmember Sewell made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to approve Resolution No. 2431. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2432 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THOMPSON ENGINEERING TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH REGARD TO THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION (“TDEC”) CLEAN ENERGY GRANT – City Attorney North read on caption. Mr. Jablonski stated this grant is for engineering and review of bids for the HVAC grant for Camp Jordan Arena. The fee would be covered under the grant. Councilmember Sewell made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to approve Resolution No. 2432. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2433 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE ADVANCING OF STATE SALARY SUPPLEMENT PAYMENTS FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS – City Attorney North read on caption. Chief Williams stated that every firefighter and police officer receives \$600 from the State each year for in-service training. He also stated that the City always pays the employees the supplement before Christmas and then is reimbursed from the State in May or June. Councilmember Sewell made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to approve Resolution No. 2433. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2434 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ELECTRIC POWER BOARD TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INTERNET SERVICES TO CAMP JORDAN PARK AND ARENA – City Manager Hyatt stated this is in conjunction with the Christmas light show at Camp Jordan. Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Sewell, to approve Resolution No. 2434. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

Approval to Purchase Fire/Rescue Engine – Chief Williams stated the City is a member of the National Joint Powers Purchasing Alliance, which allows the city to purchase from various vendors without going through the bid process. It is also approved by the Tennessee State Comptroller. The Chief stated he would like to replace the existing engine at Station 2, because they have had a lot of maintenance problems. He stated the old engine could be sold. The Chief presented 3 options: 1) Finance at time of order, 2) 100% pre-payment of entire contract at time of chassis completion 7/1/15, and 3) 100% pre-payment at time of order and would be invoiced within 15 days of contract execution. The Chief recommended Option 2. Councilmember Sewell made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to approve Option 2, to purchase in the 2015 budget year. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

Discussion of Purchase of Property for Fire Station 2 – Mr. Hyatt stated that he and Chief Williams have identified property that would be a good location for Station 2. Chief Williams stated the property is on Ringgold Road just past Scruggs Road and is owned by Richard Brown of Brown Brothers Construction. Mr. Brown is willing to sell the City 3 acres at \$70,000 per acre and then he would donate one acre to the City. A small portion of the property that fronts Ringgold Road could be sold later to help offset the cost of the purchase. Mr. Hyatt stated the City needs to get soil samples before purchasing the property. Mr. North stated we could do an option on the property or do a contract to purchase with contingencies for core sampling, etc. He suggested the City Manager talk to Mr. Brown to get his preference, an option or a contract. Under either option, the City would have the right to withdraw their offer. Mr. Hyatt will have more information for the October 23rd meeting.

ORDINANCE NO. 981 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE TO AMEND EAST RIDGE ZONING ORDINANCE #481 – City Attorney North read on caption. Mr. North stated this will bring the zoning ordinance into conformity with what the City is doing now. Vice Mayor Bethune made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to approve Ordinance No. 981 on first reading. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2435 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF

SOCCER UNIFORMS FOR THE 2014 - 2015 INDOOR SOCCER SEASON - City Attorney North read on caption. Vice Mayor Bethune made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to approve Resolution No. 2435, awarding the bid to Custom Werks Graphics. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

Discussion of Playground – Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Sewell, to approve the grant opportunity from Gametime to install playground equipment at Camp Jordan for \$35,000. There was a discussion of how to pay for the equipment, either to come out of the Capital Improvement Fund or the BAN fund. Mr. Jablonski stated this could also be added to the budget amendment before second reading. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

**AGENDA WORK SESSION
October 23, 2014 – 5:00 pm**

**To Set the Agenda For The
November 13, 2014 Council Meeting**

The East Ridge City Council met pursuant to notice on October 23, 2014, 5:00 pm at East Ridge City Hall to set the agenda for the November 13, 2014 Council Meeting and other items. Mayor Lambert called the meeting to order.

Present were: Mayor Lambert, Vice Mayor Bethune, Councilmember Gravitt, Councilmember Manning, Councilmember Sewell, City Manager Hyatt, City Attorney North and City Recorder Middleton.

Old Business:

ORDINANCE NO. 980 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 971 ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2015 APPROPRIATING THE SAME TO THE PAYMENT OF EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT...” BY DESIGNATING FUND BALANCE OF THE GENERAL FUND AND CHANGING THE EXPENDITURES FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND BY CHANGING THE EXPENDITURES OF THE CAPITAL PROJECT FUND (2nd and final reading) – Council had no comments or questions.

ORDINANCE NO. 981 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE TO AMEND EAST RIDGE ZONING ORDINANCE #481 (2nd and final reading) – City Treasurer Jablonski stated we have had a request from a potential developer that we clean up the language of this ordinance. Some of the language which referred to City Commission and the Regional Planning Agency was outdated.

New Business Discussion:

Discussion of IDB Resolution to Change the Board Bylaws – City Treasurer Jablonski stated the Industrial Development Board met last night and voted to update some of the language in the Zoning Ordinance, and to change the bylaws regarding setting the month and time of the annual meeting, giving a 24-hour notice of meetings and a 30-day notice to adopt new bylaws.

Discussion of Changing Council Meeting Time to Begin Immediately Following Agenda Work Sessions – City Manager Hyatt suggested starting the agenda work session at 6:00 pm and adjourn the session at 6:30 to begin the regular council meeting. If all items are not covered in the agenda work session, the session could continue after the regular council meeting. Mayor Lambert stated that this change could take effect in January 2015. This item was also on tonight's regular council meeting agenda but was stricken.

City Attorney North stated that Councilmember Sewell had discussed a rental property inspection fee that the City of Gulf Shores, Alabama has in place. He stated the provisions of the ordinance they have would not apply to East Ridge. Mr. North stated we could look into something that would require registration of rental property.

Mr. North stated that a citizen recently brought up limiting the number of check cashing facilities in East Ridge. He has looked at an analysis of other cities that tried this and it resulted in lawsuits.

The meeting was adjourned.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE

**October 23, 2014
6:30 p.m.**

The East Ridge City Council met pursuant to notice on October 23, 2014, 6:30 pm at East Ridge City Hall. Mayor Lambert called the meeting to order.

Councilmember Manning gave the invocation. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present were: Mayor Lambert, Vice Mayor Bethune, Councilmember Gravitt, Councilmember Manning, Councilmember Sewell, City Manager Hyatt, City Attorney North and City Recorder Middleton.

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes October 16, 2014 Agenda Work Session
- B. Approval of Minutes October 16, 2014 Council Meeting

Vice Mayor Bethune made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to approve the consent agenda. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

Communication from Citizens:

Director Martin introduced members of the River City Corvette Club, who wish to hold a charity event for the Needy Child Fund at Camp Jordan Arena. Gary Martin, 1041 Hurst Street in East Ridge, stated the club would like to partner with the East Ridge Needy Child Fund to hold a car show in the Arena with 100% of the proceeds going to various charities. Anna Lane with the Corvette Club stated the club would like to have a commitment to hold the car show the first Saturday in August every year in the Arena. Director Martin recommended that we partner with the Corvette Club to help the East Ridge Needy Child Fund. Without objection, Mayor Lambert moved this to tonight's agenda as Item I under New Business.

Kevin Roberts, 608 Shady Drive, stated he is coming forward tonight because his name came up at a previous meeting about comments he had made regarding Mr. Bethune's comments about the East Ridge Neighborhood Watch Facebook. He said he was not threatening Mr. Bethune on facebook, that he was joking but that was not brought out in the meeting. He stated the Neighborhood Watch is not about politics; it is about keeping the neighborhoods safe.

Communication from Councilmembers:

Councilmember Manning, Vice Mayor Bethune, and Councilmember Gravitt had nothing at this time.

Councilmember Sewell stated the candidates for election need direction as to when they can set up tents and signs at the polls. Mr. Hyatt stated that if there was no objection, he would send a letter to all candidates informing them they could set up tents and signs on November 1st after 8:00 am.

Mayor Lambert stated he had the privilege of being invited to the memorial service held for Luther Masingill at Engel Stadium. He does not have anything prepared but would like for Council to adopt a resolution tonight honoring Mr. Masingill. Councilmember Sewell stated he had the privilege of working as a cameraman with Mr. Masingill at WDEF. Without objection, Mayor Lambert moved this to tonight's agenda as Item J under New business.

Communication from City Manager:

City Manager Hyatt asked Chief Williams to come forward to explain why he and the Councilmembers are wearing pink shirts tonight. The Chief stated that that everyone is wearing pink shirts to show their support for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Mr. Hyatt stated the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial will be ready by November 11th, in order to have a Veteran's Day ceremony at the memorial.

City Treasurer Jablonski stated the City's finance department conducted an audit of the SITUS reports we receive from the state regarding sales tax. He stated they found eight businesses that were not listed on the report, and two of the largest businesses had not been listed for some time.

Mr. Jablonski stated we could go back one year to recoup those taxes. In November, we will receive an additional \$131,000 in sales tax from the State.

City Attorney North addressed concerns by Councilmember Sewell that there was sexually explicit language on a sign at a business on Ringgold Road. He contacted the business and they took the sign down.

Old Business:

Discussion of Land Purchase for Station 2 – City Manager Hyatt and City Attorney North have contacted the landowner about this possible purchase. Mr. North stated that the owner is willing to sell three acres to the City at \$70,000 per acre and donate one acre. The City has permission from the owner to do a survey, appraisal and core samples. The Attorney will also prepare the paperwork.

New Business:

Mayor Lambert moved Item I – Request from Corvette Club, to this portion of the agenda.

Request from Corvette Club – Director Martin stated the Corvette Club is requesting to hold a car show in the Arena with all proceeds going to charities, including the Needy Child Fund. They are asking to use the Arena every year for the show, but Mr. Martin would like to do this for one year and see what happens. Councilmember Gravitt stated he does not oppose having the car show, but he believes that we normally only waive the fees for groups that have a 501-C-3 designation. He does not want to set a precedent for other groups asking to waive the fees. Mayor Lambert suggested approving contingent upon the group becoming a 501-C-3. Councilmember Gravitt made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to approve the request contingent upon the group obtaining their 501-C-3 designation, but both withdrew their motion and second for further discussion. Robin Peterson, president of the Corvette Club, stated the Council could approve the City entering into a partnership with the club contingent upon them obtaining their 501-C-3 before August 1, 2015, the date of the show. Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to waive the fees contingent upon them becoming a 501-C-3 by August 1, 2015 and if not, the City would try to work something out for the club. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2436 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF HVAC UNITS FOR CAMP JORDAN ARENA THROUGH A TDEC CLEAN ENERGY GRANT – City Attorney North read on caption. Councilmember Gravitt made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to approve Resolution No. 2436. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2437 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2015 BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GRANT – City Attorney North read on caption. City Treasurer Jablonski stated this would be a 100% grant provided by American Water for a natural play park at Camp Jordan. Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Sewell, to approve Resolution No. 2437. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO 2438 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2015 TENNESSEE PARKS AND GREENWAYS FOUNDATION GRANT – City Attorney North read on caption. City Treasurer Jablonski stated this is for a 100% grant to install benches, trail markers, etc. at Camp Jordan. Councilmember Sewell made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to approve Resolution No. 2438. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2439 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2015 TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES GRANT – City Attorney North read on caption. City Treasurer Jablonski stated this is an 80/20% grant from TDOT to make improvements to the bike lanes and sidewalks on Ringgold Road. The City's match would be approximately \$130,000. Councilmember Gravitt stated staff needs to keep a close eye on the budget, because if we spend too much in grant matches, we would not have enough for fire trucks and other needed equipment. City Manager Hyatt stated the funds could come out of State Street Aid. Councilmember Gravitt made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to approve Resolution No. 2439, with the amendment that the City's 20% match come out of the State Street Aid fund. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2440 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, APPROVING BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF IN-CAR CAMERAS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES – City Attorney North read on caption. Councilmember Gravitt asked where the money would come from to pay for the cameras. Mr. Jablonski stated it would come out of the Capital Projects Fund. Chief Reed stated staff did a bid process with two companies responding. The Chief would like to go with the bid from L-3 Mobile Vision Inc. in the amount of \$59,400. This company included body cameras in their bid and discounted each body camera by \$144.00. Chief Reed also explained that these in-car cameras are compatible with the system we currently have. If we approve the other bid, the systems would not be compatible and we would have to purchase all new equipment. Vice Mayor Bethune made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to approve Resolution No. 2440, with the bid from L-3 Mobile Vision, Inc. in the amount of \$59,400.00. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2441 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST RIDGE, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FUNDS FROM THE BAN ACCOUNT TO PURCHASE A PLAYGROUND FROM GAMETIME TO BE INSTALLED IN CAMP JORDAN PARK – City Attorney North read on caption. Vice Mayor Bethune asked Mr. Jablonski how much was left in the BAN fund. Mr. Jablonski stated we have approximately \$200,000. Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to approve Resolution No. 2441. Mayor Lambert stated this is a \$100,000 playground that the City is getting for \$35,000. Director Martin stated if approved, the set-up will be on December 1, 2014. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

Discussion of Changing Council Meeting Time to Begin Immediately Following Agenda Work Sessions – Mayor Lambert discussed leaving the council meeting time at 6:30 and moving the agenda session to 6:00 pm. If any items are not discussed by 6:30 pm, the Mayor would

recess the agenda session and start the council meeting. Those agenda session items not covered could be discussed after the regular council meeting. The Mayor has the authority by resolution to set the time of the agenda sessions, but he would like a vote to confirm this action. Vice Mayor Bethune made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to:

- set the agenda work sessions to begin at 6:00 pm,
- recess the agenda work session at 6:30 pm if all items have not been discussed and begin the regular council meeting,
- resume the agenda work session after the regular council meeting to cover any items not discussed in the agenda work session,
- take effect January 1, 2015.

The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

Discussion of Property Tax Freeze – Mr. Jablonski stated he has talked to someone at the state about tax freeze data. He has information on tax relief, but the tax freeze numbers would be much higher. This could have a serious impact on future tax collections. Mr. Jablonski recommends holding off on this item until a later date. Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to table this item. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

Preparation of a Resolution to Honor Luther Masingill – Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Bethune, to approve preparing a resolution for the next meeting in honor of Mr. Masingill. The vote was unanimous. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned.